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## SHUTTING OUT COMPETITION

The public is entitled to consideration in the disposal of public matters. A public library is a public institution and Paducah is to have a public library on a site that must be paid for by the public. In building this library, the public's wishes should be consulted.

One of the principal things in building a library is the selection of an architect. The beauty, substantiality and utility of an edifice depend almost solely on the architect, and in building a structure that is to belong to the public, and is to be seen, visited and used for perhaps many years, it is reasonable to assume that the public wants the best architect and the most suitable plans that are possible to get. If a man is building a house of his own it is different. He can do as he pleases, and select plans that please his own fancy, whether they be of attractive and enduring quality or not. But in acting for the public, men have a far more responsible duty to perform, and they cannot be too careful in discharging their sacred obligation to the people.

When the matter of selecting an architect for the public library here first came up, there was considerable discussion as to how much competition should be allowed. The former city council limited the competition to local architects, and selected one set drawn by a most capable, and a first class architect. But public sentiment was in favor of allowing a wider latitude, and opening the competition to outside architects who wanted an opportunity simply to submit their plans. There was no harm in this, and it had an element of fairness about it to which no one could reasonably object. The present city council realized this, and seemed to thoroughly understand public sentiment in the matter. It did not indorse the action of its predecessor, and held the project in abeyance until recently, when trustees were appointed.

These trustees are all well known, capable gentlemen, but in providing plans for the library, they have shut out not only outside, but all competition. Judging from what has been heard in many quarters since then, the public in general, believes a mistake has been made. A number of architects desired and still desire, to offer drawings, and while perhaps none could be submitted that would be better or more suitable than the plans that will be furnished by the architect selected, it would be only fair to the public and to the architects, to give all an equal show. If the plans of a local architect are selected as the best offered, it would be very gratifying to know that our architects are inferior to none. If the plans of some outside architect are adopted, it would only indicate that he happened to have the best. Architects in the large cities often draw plans for mammoth structures thousands of miles away and structures that they never see. If the plans are accurately drawn, and it is presumed that a good architect would draw them no other way, and the contract is let to a competent contractor, which it would be the duty of the trustees to do, there is no reason to anticipate any trouble, or any necessity for a visit from the architect, no matter where he might reside. This would indicate the feasibility of outside competition. We can't

builders, as a criterion to go by in Paducah. Our contractors are fully capable of erecting a building from the most intricate plans, if accurately drawn, without the architect's ever being seen. Desired changes might necessitate the presence of the architect, but after plans are carefully examined and adopted, there should be no changes. This view should do away with the objection to outside competition.

But if the trustees are firm in their determination to bar outside competition, they should at least give all the home men a chance. The public favors it. If plans are submitted by our architects, and the choice of the trustees is that of the architect already chosen, it will satisfy the public, the architects, and show that the trustees had admirable judgment in making their selection.

But as it stands the public seems dissatisfied. The trustees might find it advisable to reconsider its action, and permit architects to submit plans in a fair, impartial competition.

## AN UNIQUE FIGHT.

The authorities in New York City are fighting for open saloons on Sunday. The contest is waxing quite warm, and the district attorney, a very able man, has sent to the legislature a brief showing cause why the excise law should pass. Some of the reasons are broad and unique, and suggest a new era of municipal government in New York. It has been claimed for some time that one reason for so much corruption, blackmail and vice in the large cities is the stringent, intolerant laws that are totally out of keeping with the spirit of the people, and the demands of the place.

A few of the attorney's reasons are:

"Under Democratic forms of government a law is not permanently enforceable by elected authorities where a large number of persons in the locality don't consider the act forbidden as immoral in itself, and are unwilling to yield willing obedience to the law."

"In Greater New York there are a large number of people who don't consider it immoral to enter a saloon and take a drink on Sunday. New York is a cosmopolitan city and its inhabitants, being citizens and voters, have a right to have their wishes respected, and their tastes and habits considered whether they be foreign-born or native born."

"The effect of the present law is to do irreparable damage to the community by tending to degrade those in the liquor business and cause them to lose their self-respect and their respect for all law. The effect of the proposed change would be in an opposite direction."

"An unenforceable law as hereinabove defined always develops blackmail."

"The effect on the community through the debauching of the police by the present law favoring blackmail is very serious."

## TRIBUTE TO THE MARTYR.

(Buffalo News.)

The state memorial exercises were a heartfelt tribute to the memory of President McKinley. Noted men of the state gathered at Albany last night to show, irrespective of party affiliation, their profound admiration of a great, and good man, and able statesman, and a lover and defender of his country.

Charles Emory Smith was the orator of the occasion, and no man in the nation could be selected to speak of

## ADD UP THE GAINS.

The virtue of one dose is so small you can't see any change. But add together all the little virtues from all the little doses and the effect is very marked.

In consumption, as in other cases, the results secured from continued treatment with Scott's Emulsion come from the accumulation of many small gains. A little gain in strength each day—a little gain in weight each day—if continued for weeks, amounts to something.

The fact that Scott's Emulsion can be taken for so long a time without the slightest inconvenience is greatly in its favor as a medicine for consumptives. Such a medicine gives itself time to do good.

It makes new flesh and

President McKinley with more of the eloquence of truth on his lips. Associated with him in conducting the affairs of the nation, admiring his character from an intimate personal acquaintance, and knowing full well the patriotic and unselfish endeavors of the man, Mr. Smith was as one specially privileged to speak in praise of the martyred president. During the events preceding the Spanish war Mr. Smith describes the president:

"Of all men in the land, he was the coolest, the calmest and the most clear-sighted. Profoundly moved, anxious beyond all expression, he was, with his waking hours, and his sleepless couch filled with brooding care, but tranquil, self-contained, sure of his own heart and sure of his own lofty and unselfish aim."

President McKinley was in all phases of his eventful life the same courageous, intelligent and earnest man as he is described in the above sentence.

England may not be a free and independent government, but sometimes they get pretty liberal in expressing their sentiments over there. A couple of councillors in Battersea borough the other day openly opposed an appropriation for entertainment in commemoration of the coronation, and had the temerity to declare that "the King was nothing but a figurehead," and that all kings looked alike to them. And only a few days previous members of parliament cheered when the announcement of General Methuen's capture and the disaster to British troops was made. It seems England is getting almost as bad as the United States for treasonable utterances. It hasn't been many years since such declarations would have been followed by a second class funeral.

A bill that will affect Paducah and be of considerable interest here is the bill compelling second class cities to receive bids for bank deposits of city funds instead of allowing the city treasurer to select the bank. It is claimed that treasurers have been getting a fee from banks for depositing municipal money there. An effort was made to include third and fourth class cities in the bill, but it was defeated. The measure, if it becomes a law, will not be effective until the terms of present officers expire.

Senator Berry, of Arkansas, made a speech against the ship subsidy bill, and it is said in some of the papers that he made a powerful argument. Senator Hanna asked him a few questions, however, that completely nonplused him. There is no man in the senate who knows more about the ship subsidy bill than Senator Hanna. His speech on it was unanswerable, and no matter how much the bill may be discussed before the vote, the necessity for such a bill, as shown by Senator Hanna, will still be evident.

The school book bill has been practically killed in the legislature. It is a good thing for the state that it has. It was only an effort to give the people of the state inferior books. The cost may have been less, but the quality would have been proportionately low. The people will not sanction any effort of such rural statesmen to change the school system in Kentucky. If there is needed a change of school books let intelligent, educated men and not politicians dictate the changes.

Another resolution has been introduced in Congress recognizing the Boers and appealing to the British government to cease hostilities. The resolution will probably never be heard of again. The Boers, like the Filipinos, can end the war any time they see fit. The people of the United States cannot afford to rectify all the wrongs in the world, and the South African war, no matter how deplorable, is something that doesn't concern us.

Another war involving Europe is now talked of. According to what some consider eminent authority the Japanese are spooling for a fight with Russia, and expect if they can't handle the Bear without help that England will render aid and precipitate a conflict in which all European nations will participate. But it sounds like the same old rumor rehearsed.

Colonel W. J. Bryan does not seem very kindly disposed towards Hon. David B. Hill. The reason is probably that Hill is the logical leader of the Democratic party in coming campaigns. Colonel Bryan has twice demonstrated to the satisfaction of his party that he is a failure as a leader, and Mr. Hill has not.



## MOTHER'S FRIEND

makes childbirth easy and almost painless, by preparing the system for parturition, thus assisting Nature, and shortening labor. The painful ordeal of childbirth is robbed of its terrors, and the danger thereof greatly lessened, to both mother and child. The period of confinement is also greatly shortened, the mother rested, and the child fully developed, strong and healthy. Morning sickness, or nausea arising from pregnancy is prevented by relieving the stomach from the pressure brought to bear on it by the expanding organ, and by which it is induced through sympathy. As pregnancy advances, the breasts enlarge, become swollen, hard and hot. Long before the child is born, they are preparing for the secretion of milk. It is important to successful child rearing that these glands receive early consideration. Mother's Friend softens the skin, relieves the pressure, and facilitates the secretion of milk. Swelling, tenderness and excoriation of the breasts hard-caked shortly after delivery, are the result of non-treatment and likely to culminate in Mammary Abscess from which the patient suffers excruciating pain and is left with these functional organs permanently impaired. Mother's Friend is always applied externally and rubbed into the flesh over the region of pain. Softness, pliability and expansion are given to the muscles, tissues, fibres and sinews, allowing the elasticity necessary to bring comfort while with heavy burden, and cause easy issue of the child. Try it. (Of all druggists \$1.00. Our book "Motherhood" free.)

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holding office and having elections that they threaten a revolution if the treaty is not ratified. It's a wonder the Filipinos couldn't be equally as good.

Jim Younger, the paroled bandit, wanted to get married, but discovered that he was legally dead. He was fortunate in finding it out before instead of afterwards.

The Elks' carnival will be the biggest thing of the year. The more people boost it the bigger it will be, and the bigger it is the better it will be for Paducah.

The newspaper correspondents are making desperate efforts to kill off Count Tolstoi and Cecil Rhodes, but thus far with doubtful results.

It is suggested that the city council be put in the "Country Store" at the carnival and raffled off at ten cents a chance.

## A SAD DEATH.

MRS. MARY M'COOLLOM, AN ESTIMABLE CHRISTIAN, A VICTIM OF CONSUMPTION.

Mrs. Mary McCollom, a well known and highly respected lady of Elizabeth street, near Sixth, died last night at 10 o'clock from consumption, after a long illness. Mrs. McCollom had suffered for quite awhile from the disease, and recently went to San Antonio, Tex., but was not benefited, and had to return home. Since then death had been only a matter of a short time.

The deceased was twenty-four years old, and a daughter of Master Commissioner Gip Husbands. She was a kind, patient Christian and had borne her suffering with much fortitude. A husband, Mr. John McCollom, and four-year-old son, survive.

The funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 from the residence, burial at Oak Grove.

Foley's Honey and Tar cures colds, prevents pneumonia.

## THE ELKS

BUTTONS HAVE BEEN ORDERED—PIANO TO BE DONATED.

The soliciting committee of the Elks is meeting with great encouragement in its visits to the merchants. The latter part of next week a list of the contributions will be published. The buttons for the carnival have been ordered and are expected shortly. The Country Store is going to be one of the greatest things ever seen, and there will be so many things to place in it will have to be very large.

The executive committee will probably receive a piano as a donation from a big piano concern. Negotiations are now pending.

BANNER SALVE the most healing salve in the world.

## DEATH OF A CHILD.

The nine months old infant of Mr.

## A GRAND MILLINERY, SUIT and SKIRT OPENING

THURSDAY, MARCH 20.

The exquisite taste and beauty of the hat models to be exhibited at this opening will represent the highest art known to the millinery trade for the Spring Season of 1902. Style, beauty and becomingness are characteristic features that will add still greater fame this season to our reputation as makers and trimmers of the handsomest and most becoming hats in Paducah.

Our well known low prices will prevail again during this millinery season.

A skirt, suit and spring jacket opening also on Thursday, March 20th.

A prominent manufacturer has arranged to give us an opening on that date of spring suits, net, silk and woolen skirts, silk etons and woolen jackets. It is an event that will interest all ladies who like swell styles and exclusive suits, skirts or other garment, as no two alike will be sold. You are cordially invited to attend both of these openings and bring your friends.

We are showing some phenomenal bargains in walking skirts.

## SPRING DRESS GOODS

Our dress goods section is filled with rich, beautiful and choice weaves. An immense stock of both black and colored fabrics marked at prices that have been creating lots of purchases. Take advantage of the inducements we are offering.

GOOD MAKES OF MUSLIN UNDERWEAR, PETTI-COATS & CORSETS SPECIALLY LOW-PRICED. MANY STYLES FROM WHICH TO SELECT.

The best in kid gloves. We are in position to offer some phenomenal bargains at 69c and 95c a pair in black and colors. Each pair guaranteed and fitted.

New belts, 25c to 50c.  
New brooches, 25c.  
New hair retainers, 25c.  
New pocket books, 25c.  
New ladies' silk ties, 25c.  
New hose supporters, 25c.  
New white hose with black polka dots, flowers and stripes, for ladies, at 25c.  
New lace stripe hose in red, blue, pink and black, at 25c.

The great removal sale of shoes and clothing continues. It's an immense sale of women's, men's, children's, boys' and misses' shoes, and men's and boys' suits. The most marvelous values yet offered.

Our great removal sale brings you the most attractive shoe and clothing bargains.

50 men's suits at \$4.90 instead of \$7.50.  
200 men's suits at \$7.50 instead of \$10.  
100 men's suits at \$9.90 instead of \$15.  
25 boys' knee pant suits at 50c instead of 85c.  
15 boys' knee pant suits at 95c instead of \$1.25.  
50 boys' knee pant suits at \$1.50 instead of \$2.00.  
100 boys' knee pant suits at \$2.00 instead of \$3.00, \$4.00 and \$5.00.

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## JANES

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INSURANCE &  
FARM LOANS

All classes property in every part of the city.

## BARGAIN.

Lot 57 feet, 9 inches by 165 feet; northwest corner Eighth and Harrison streets; alley and pavement improved; two good houses; rent total \$25 month; Price, \$2,600; long time on \$1,000 of it.

No. 909 North Seventh street. Five room house, large, well shaded yard. Price \$800, half cash and balance easy payments.

Five-room house in good condition, 42 foot lot, South Seventh joining Dr. Reddick's residence on north side. Price \$1,600 on any reasonable payments to suit buyer.

No. 410 South Tenth street, former Home of Friendless building, with a 40-foot vacant lot. Suited for boarding house. Price \$2,000, or will sell the vacant lot separate.

No. 912 Jefferson street, former Widom residence, 8 rooms, sewer connection with both bath room and kitchen, 60-foot lot, besides 10-foot driveway. Price \$5,000.

Numbers 627 South Ninth and 909 Ohio streets, both on same lot, and rent total of \$30.50 per month. Five and three rooms respectively. Good investment at price, \$1,600.

No. 317 North Twelfth street, new 4-room house with hall and front and back porches, rents at \$13 month, lot 51x235 feet, with a double 6-room house at west end of lot, which rents at \$14 month, and vacant space for another small house. Price on whole, \$2,100, or will sell each separate. Jan-24-02

## FOR SALE OR RENT.

No. 620 N. Sixth St. nine room house, modern conveniences, large and well shaded yard. Price \$4,000 on easy payments.

No. 1101 North Tenth street, house, four rooms, hall and porches, price \$1,000, mostly on monthly payments.

Three brick four room cottages with 430 feet of ground fronting south on Clay street between Eleventh and Twelfth street. Will sell whole or any portion wanted. See me for price and terms on part you want.

As nice, well-built modern eight room house as can be found in the city. See me for details and get a No. 1 home. Price on easy payments, \$3,000.

508 and 510 South Fourth street, five and six room cottages, prices \$1,300 and \$1,500.

Three room house on good lot on Jones street, price \$650, mostly on monthly payments. Chance for colored man to get good home.

No. 1238 Jefferson street four room house, 49 foot lot, first class location. Price \$1300 of which \$500 cash and balance on payments to suit buyer.

No. 626 South Fourth street. Five room house, frame storehouse, large lot, house rents at 15 per month, and storehouse at \$7 per month. Price \$1,300 on easy payments. Much of it can be paid out of rents received.

Fifty lots in Fountain Park, at prices from \$125 to over \$1,000 on payments of \$10 cash and \$5 monthly. Streets graded or under contract to be graded, and going to be best residence section of city, and on these low prices lots will be great enhancement in value. The place for homes.

No. 321 North Twelfth street, five room house, water in kitchen, comfortable, good home at \$1150.

## FOR SALE.

Ten room house, newly papered and repaired, suitable for boarding house, Broadway, just west of new school building. Easy payments on sale. See me.

No. 519 Elizabeth street, double house, 4 rooms one side and 3 rooms on other side, rents at \$13 per month. Good investment.

Good, well built three room house with large lot on Wagoner Avenue at \$300.

Four 80 foot front lots, fronting on Lang park, low prices and easy payments.

428 South Tenth street five rooms, hall and porches, rents at \$16 month. Price \$1100.